

Listing of Claims

1. (Cancelled).

2. (Cancelled).

3. (Cancelled).

4. (Cancelled).

5. (Cancelled).

6. (Cancelled).

7. (Currently amended) A mounting device for securing an electronic device comprising at least one opening to an equipment rack comprising a plurality of openings, comprising:

- a) a mounting member comprising at least one flange, an opening extending at least partially around the circumference of said mounting member, an end portion ~~receivable~~ received within said at least one opening in said electronic device, and an inner cylindrical portion ~~adapted to receive~~ that receives at least a first fastener and a second fastener, said first fastener having a different thread type than said second fastener;
- b) a retainer member ~~adapted to be~~ that is received by said opening in said mounting member, said retainer member having a smaller diameter portion engaged with said first fastener or said second fastener in a latched mode which prevents one of said first fastener and said second fastener from being removed from said mounting member, and said retainer member having a larger diameter portion positioned adjacent to said first fastener or said second fastener in an unlatched mode which allows one of said first fastener and said second fastener to be removed from said mounting

member and the other of said first fastener or said second fastener to be inserted into said mounting member while securely retaining said retainer member within said opening in said mounting member; and

c) a securing device mounted on said end portion of said mounting member which ~~is adapted to secure~~ secures said mounting member to said electronic device and allows either of said first fastener and said second fastener to be removed from said mounting member while securely retaining said mounting member within said at least one opening in said electronic device, and that facilitates floating movement of said mounting member within said at least one opening in said electronic device.

8. (Original) The mounting device of claim 7, said electronic device having a front surface and a rear surface, said mounting member further comprising:

- a) a first flange having a surface that abuts said front surface of said electronic device;
- b) a second flange having a surface that abuts said securing device;
- c) wherein said surface of said second flange is spaced away from said rear surface of said electronic device to provide a small gap between said surface of said second flange and said rear surface of said electronic device.

9. (Original) The mounting device of claim 7, said retainer member being a clip and further comprising a pair of resilient legs biased toward one another and connected by a flexible hinge.

10. (Original) The mounting device of claim 7, further comprising a biasing device positioned within said inner cylindrical portion of said mounting member.

11. (Original) The mounting device of claim 7, said securing device comprising a retainer ring mounted on and secured to said end portion of said mounting member.

12. (Currently amended) A method of mounting an electronic device having a first fastener attached thereto to an equipment rack adapted to receive a second fastener, said first fastener having a different thread type than said second fastener, comprising:

- a) providing at least one mounting device, each mounting device comprising a mounting member ~~which is adapted to receive~~ that receives at least said first fastener or said second fastener;
- b) for each mounting device, removing said first fastener from said mounting member ~~without removing said mounting device from said electronic device~~ while securely retaining said mounting member within said at least one opening in said electronic device;
- c) for each mounting device, inserting said second fastener into said mounting member;
- d) for each mounting device, inserting said second fastener positioned into within said mounting member into an opening in said equipment rack; and
- e) for each mounting device, securing said second fastener to said equipment rack.

13. (Original) The method of claim 12, said mounting device further comprising a retainer member having a latched mode and an unlatched mode, the method further comprising:

- a) for each mounting device, prior to removing said first fastener from said mounting member, placing said retainer member in said unlatched mode whereby said first fastener may be linearly removed from said mounting member; and
- b) for each mounting device, subsequent to inserting said second fastener into said mounting member, placing said retainer member in said latched mode whereby said second fastener may not be linearly removed from said mounting member.

14. (Cancelled).